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On August 21st the back and fourth raids between Israel and Gaza escalated. When, at noon, Israeli officials reported over 20 incoming rockets that killed 8 people and injured 30.

This is result of an ongoing feud between Israel and Palestine. Both think that Gaza and the West bank are rightfully their land. This war started around 1948 when Israel tried to expand and make Palestine part of Israel’s Jewish state. Since then there has been consent conflict between the two states. Palestine recruited the help of the British army. The head of the Palestine resistance in Gaza is called Hamas. Palestine is trying to become its own country.

The UN has been debating the issue since it has started. But they have to think carefully about how they vote. If they vote no then the disappointment in Palestine could turn to protests. Also if they vote with Israel it could be bad. When Canada voted with Israel last year they lost their bid for a Security Council seat. I am not sure if they should vote yes though either. Palestine is mostly run by Hamas, which is, by definition, a terrorist organization, so it may not be ready for state hood. I think for now that they should make a treaty and possibly a temporary two-state agreement. They have attempted to make a two-state agreement before but Israel has kept creating settlements.